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THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY SCREENS *BEYOND HATRED* *A Family Tries to Forgive the Neo-Nazi Killers of Their Gay Son*

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library, in partnership with Media Arts Center San Diego and PBS' Point-of-View (POV) series, will host a preview film screening of *Beyond Hatred* on Sunday, September 06 at 2:00 p.m. in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This free event is open to the public.

In September 2002, three skinheads were roaming a park in Rheims, France, looking to "do an Arab," when they settled for a gay man instead. Twenty-nine-year-old François Chenu fought back fiercely, but he was beaten unconscious and thrown into a river, where he drowned. The acclaimed French vérité film *Beyond Hatred* is the story of the crime's aftermath; above all, of the Chenu family's brave and heartrending struggle to seek justice while trying to make sense of such pointless violence and unbearable loss. With remarkable dignity, they fight to transcend hatred and the inevitable desire for revenge.

Since 1988, PBS' "POV" series has brought the best of independent point-of-view documentaries to a national audience, featuring the work of America's most innovative documentary filmmakers to build new communities in conversation about today's most pressing social issues.

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